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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Prices began the week began unchanged in New York but sharply lower in all other locations. As the week progressed prices were unchanged in all areas. The trade sentiment was about steady with caution noted. Demand into all channels was light to moderate, best for areas with feature activity. Supplies were adequate to ample with smaller sizes in the longest position. Breaking stock prices were unchanged to one cent higher. Checks and undergrade prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to available with a mostly light demand. Floor stocks were balanced to at times fully adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Spent hen removal costs were unchanged. Offerings were at least adequate for the fairly good demand. Schedules were full time. The trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices remained .5-8.5, mostly 4.5-8.5 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady with some caution noted on the lighter weight eggs. Cartoned egg sales were light to usually moderate, best for areas with feature activity. Food service demand was mostly light. Supplies were adequate to ample with mediums and smalls in the longest position. Central States breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to 1 cent higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were adequate to available for the mostly light demand. Floor stocks were balanced to fully adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	39-48	42-45
LARGE	38-47	40-43
MEDIUM	33-42	35-38

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were at least sufficient for the light demand. Spent hens were mostly adequate to at least adequate for processing requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	47-62	51-54
LARGE	43-57	50-52
MEDIUM	37-50	41-44

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

## COMBINED REGIONAL

Feb 03, 2006

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	65.50	64.00	55.00
SOUTHEAST	65.50	63.50	55.00
MIDWEST	56.50	54.50	48.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	64.50	63.50	57.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	63.01	61.42	54.14

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

## IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	02-07-06	01-31-06	02-08-05
Large	20-29	33-42	42-51
Medium	15-21	27-33	33-39

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- FEBRUARY 06, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
			Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific
Jumbo	Curr Wk	10.8	24.3	6.2	24.7	13.8	79.8
	Change	0.5	1.9	-2.3	9.3	1.6	16%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	27.0	74.2	11.8	30.5	37.1	180.6
	Change	-4.8	-0.2	-2.2	6.2	0.8	0%
Large	Curr Wk	39.1	144.6	58.1	96.6	122.4	460.8
	Change	-3.2	-16.2	-8.9	10.7	30.8	3%
Medium	Curr Wk	15.9	67.8	13.3	25.0	31.7	153.7
	Change	4.4	18.2	-0.5	1.4	2.9	21%
Small	Curr Wk	7.5	11.6	9.0	5.7	11.7	45.5
	Change	-0.8	3.4	8.8	0.4	0.3	36%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.8	36.9	8.8	11.9	5.3	64.7
	Change	-0.5	4.8	1.1	-1.3	0.9	8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	18.3	60.6	34.2	27.3	35.2	175.6
	Change	2.4	0.0	2.4	-3.3	9.1	6%
Total	Curr Wk	120.4	420.0	141.4	221.7	257.2	1160.7
Percent	Change	-2%	3%	-1%	12%	22%	7%

## TOTAL

		Number of	Percent	Number of
		Cases	Change	Cooperators
Shell Egg	1160.7	7%		168
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	229.0	-6%		35
Total Shell Egg	1389.7	5%		203

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 168 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

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Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 04-Feb-06**(LBS IN THOUSANDS)  
(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,299,852	31,124	12,720	6,865	3,331	4,480
PW	1,283,848	30,565	12,430	7,175	3,099	4,319
LY	1,204,414	28,985	11,296	6,130	2,686	4,174
% Chg PWK	1%	2%	2%	-4%	7%	4%
% Chg LY	8%	7%	13%	12%	24%	7%
2006	6,365,305	153,131	61,192	33,774	15,545	21,780
2005	6,176,677	146,643	60,909	32,592	15,754	21,874
% Chg YTD	3%	4%	0%	4%	-1%	0%
<b>Average Yield Per Case -</b>		<b>Current</b>		<b>Previous</b>		<b>Last</b>
		<b>Week</b>		<b>Week</b>		<b>Year</b>
(Inedible Included)		42.46		42.44		42.00
(Inedible Excluded)		39.01		39.08		38.53

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands;  
may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs. % of Total	
CURRENT WEEK	606,856	46.7%	16,141	51.9%
PREVIOUS WEEK	597,253	46.5%	15,434	50.5%
LAST YEAR	494,917	41.1%	12,783	44.1%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	JAN 28	FEB 4	JAN 28	FEB 4
	Thousand			
AL	30,946	31,605	21,440	21,731
AR	31,327	31,442	24,595	25,000
DE	*3,981	3,700	*5,908	5,511
FL	1,344	1,344	*1,631	1,641
GA	*34,382	34,048	*27,047	27,321
KY	*7,358	7,154	*5,815	6,147
LA	4,136	4,136	*3,937	3,977
MD	8,912	8,874	4,931	5,618
MS	18,447	18,188	16,511	16,617
NC	18,140	18,640	15,465	14,630
OK	*6,760	6,602	5,447	4,452
PA	*3,971	3,789	*2,949	2,875
SC	5,367	5,194	4,390	4,570
TX	*15,237	14,632	*12,936	13,067
VA	6,156	6,246	4,990	5,222
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,201	17,516	*16,546	15,456

19 State Total \*213,665 213,110 \*174,538 173,835

Previous Year Total 212,630 213,234 171,340 172,928

Pct. of Prev. Year 100 100 102 101

\* Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 18-Mar-06 is estimated at 160.3 million head. This compares to 160.5 million head the previous week and to 162.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 159.2 million head and the composite weighted average price was 72.97 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES**

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/02/06-02/08/06

	CURRENT LDS	109.50	FUTURE LDS	48.00	TOTAL LDS	157.50
	SE	NE	MW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	26.30	—	27.25	28.67	—	—
GL W J	—	—	41.50	43.00	48.50	—
GL W XL	—	38.33	36.00	36.43	32.11	34.83
GL W LG	—	37.00	32.37	34.74	30.67	29.00
GL W MD	37.00	33.00	29.43	27.85	24.41	33.08
GL W SM	—	—	23.00	22.00	19.00	26.00
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	55.00	—
NRBS - 50	—	—	23.00	25.75	—	—
NRBS - 48	—	—	23.00	25.75	23.00	25.40
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	26.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	19.50	22.77
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	18.50
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	11.75	15.00

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 04-Feb-2006**

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
Atlanta	24.0	27.6	-13	-10
Boston	3.1	3.0	3	-6
Chicago	87.5	70.5	24	33
Detroit	19.5	21.7	-10	-10
Kansas City	5.9	3.7	59	-5
Los Angeles	110.4	115.1	-4	25
New Orleans	5.0	6.3	-21	-33
New York	32.7	32.3	1	8
St. Louis	17.8	18.8	-5	13
San Francisco	18.1	18.8	-4	-3
Total	324.0	317.8	2	14
4 Week Moving Avg.	325.5			

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 04-Feb-06**

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	1,748	2,390	8	0	4,146
Avg Wt	16.86	39.65	27.43	0.00	30.02
Last week	1,524	2,596	23	2	4,145
Same wk yr ago	1,483	2,574	38	1	4,096
Avg Wt	15.61	38.53	24.71	61.68	28.04
To-date/2006	7,771	12,221	105	24	20,121
To-date/2005	7,794	12,654	163	24	20,635

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

Week ending 04-Feb-06

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	AVG
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	THOUSAND	HEAD- LIVE WT
North East	573	-23	26.31	(A) 573 26.31
South Atlantic	595	-8	36.67	(A) 595 36.67
North Central	1,985	0	33.66	(A) 1,985 33.66
South Central	735	48	19.01	(A) 735 19.01
West	258	-5	26.31	(A) 258 26.31
U.S. total	4,146(B)	0	30.02	0 4,146 30.02
To-date				
2006	20,097(B)			24 20,121
To-date				
2005	20,611(B)			24 20,635

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 8,000; for the current year to date 105,000; for last year to date 163,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** (Preliminary)

W/E 04-FEB-2005	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	163,305	1,422	1,461	2,883	544
Avg Wt	5.45	3.45	7.94	5.73	6.35
Last week	162,972	1,408	1,330	2,738	477
Same wk yr ago	156,566	1,321	1,336	2,657	479
Avg Wt	5.35	3.32	8.09	5.72	6.53
To-date/2006	798,090	7,090	6,950	14,040	2,418
To-date/2005	783,446	7,175	6,267	13,442	2,584

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 165.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.3 million head, or 0.1 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 11-Feb-06

CLASS	Current Week 02/11/06(1)	Previous Week 02/04/06
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	167,962(2)	164,986
Light hens	1,366	1,387
Heavy hens	1,368	1,467
Total	170,696	167,840

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 11-Feb-06 is 164.0 million head compared to 156.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 168.3 million head or 4.3 million more than estimated available. For the week of 18-Feb-06 the estimated available is 164.0 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/  
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
December 31	143.7	154.6	93%	5.35
January 7	151.8	156.5	97%	5.38
14	169.3	160.4	106%	5.35
21	156.4	162.4	96%	5.4
28	164.9	164.5	100%	5.35
February 4	165.3	165.4	100%	5.45
Year to date	807.7	809.2	100%	
February 11		164.0		
18		164.0		

**FINAL BROILER/FRYER** Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 06-FEB-2006 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		LDS	COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG		WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.60	39 :	56.93	75
Los Angeles	76.00	74.00	56 :	69.17	138
New York	55.00-58.00	56.86	22 :	59.02	44

**COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from 06-FEB-2006	30-JAN-2006	30-JAN-2006	07-FEB-2005
	62.94	-.72	63.66	71.37

NUMBER OF LOADS 581

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

**CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
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<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION	66	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	65-66	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	66-67	-	-	-

<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>				
EASTERN REGION	66	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	65-66	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	66-67	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -** Selected Centers (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 02/06/06	3,468	54,278	75,253
AM 01/01/06	3,410	31,772	67,392
CHG	58	22506	7861
PCT CHG	2%	71%	12%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of December 31, 2005 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on February 1, 2006 are:

FROZEN EGGS	21 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
TURKEYS	334 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
POULTRY	1,008 MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

**HEN MARKETS**

**HEAVY TYPE** (7 pounds and up)\* Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 06-FEB-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	9.75-15 CENTS/LB.	11-13	12.12
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	9-15.25 CENTS/LB.	11-13	12.01

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading  
\*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

**LIGHT TYPE** Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

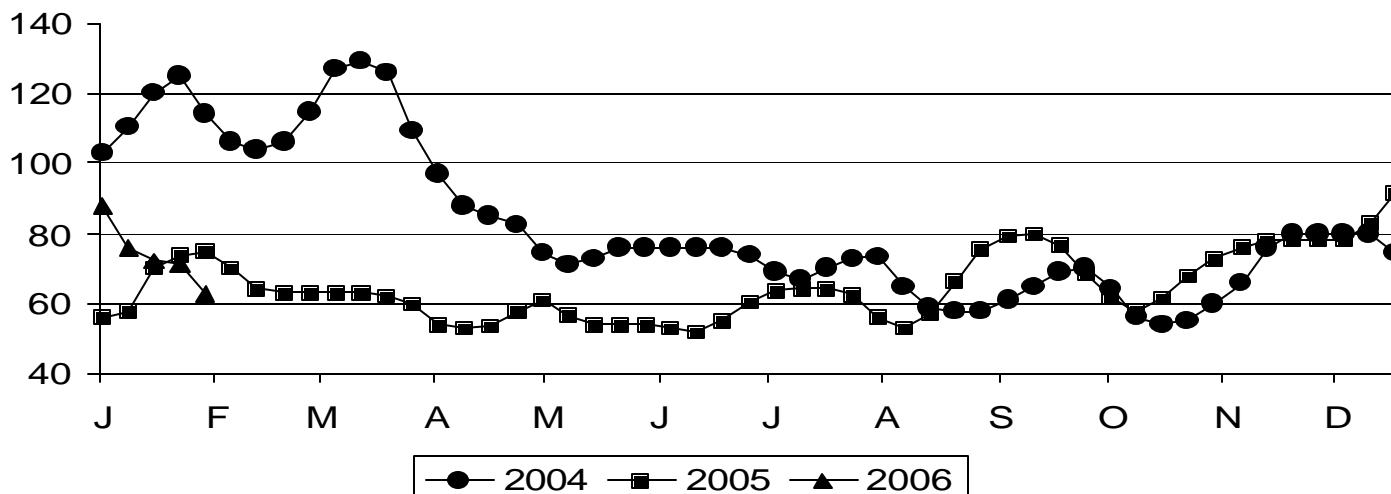
REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	3-11	7-10
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	.5-8.5	4.5-8.5

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT** (Receipts From Producers)

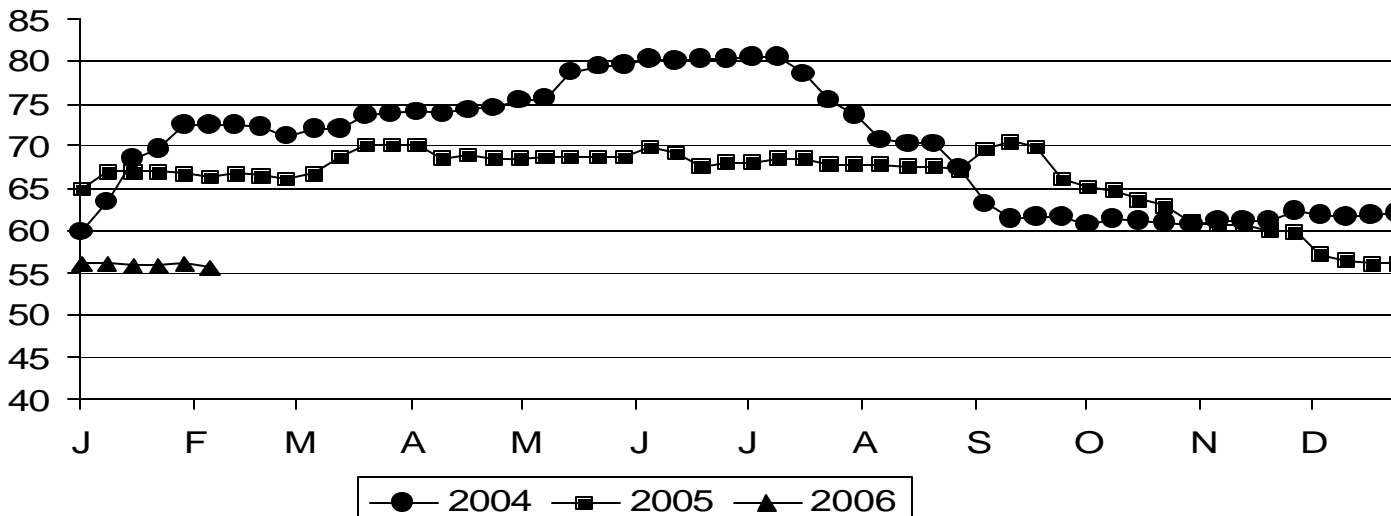
W/E 04-FEB-2006	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW LY
<b>REGIONS</b>		
North Atlantic	205.1	-2 0
East North Central	620.0	2 11
West North Central	297.6	2 10
South Atlantic	194.0	-2 -11
South Central	59.3	1 -15
West	201.0	-6 6
Total	1564.5	0 4
Matched Plants reporting		84 84

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)  
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)  
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)  
West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

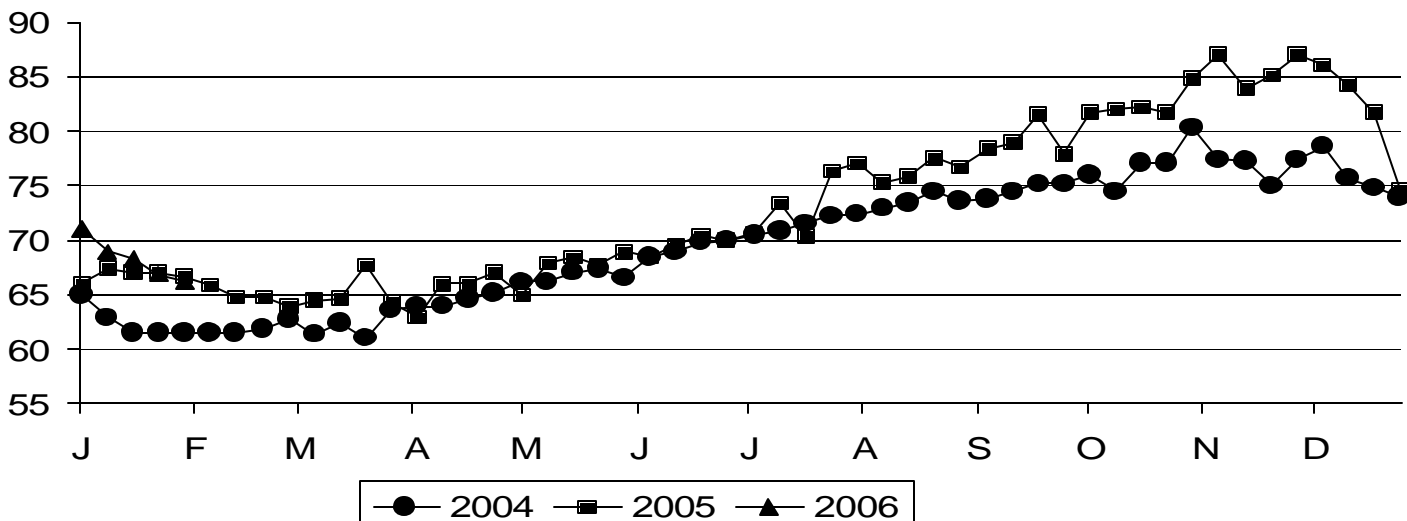
### New York Large Weekly Average Price cents per dozen



### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices cents per pound



### Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkey cents per pound



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